

STRIKE KEY
TO VERDUN

Germans Continue the Bombardment of Fort Souville Positions

HAVE NOT LAUNCHED
INFANTRY ATTACKS

German Attempts on Vosges Front Were Unsuccessful

Paris, June 15.—The Germans are continuing a violent bombardment of French positions north of Verdun, the key to the inner defense of Verdun, to-day's official statement says. No infantry fighting occurred on either bank of the Meuse last night.

On the Vosges front some minor German attempts to attack the French line were made but they failed completely, according to the official statement.

GERMAN AUXILIARY
CRUISER WAS SUNK

German Destroyer and Twelve Merchant Ships Also Declared Destroyed By Russians in Fight in Baltic Sea.

London, June 15.—The German auxiliary cruiser Herzmann has been attacked and sunk in the Baltic southeast of Stockholm by four Russian torpedo boat destroyers, according to Berlin. Reports from Sweden and Denmark concerning the fight say it was between Russian torpedo craft and a German auxiliary cruiser, some torpedo boats and armed trawlers which were conveying German merchantmen. In addition to the auxiliary cruiser and a German destroyer, 12 merchantmen are said to have been sunk. Amsterdam, June 15, via London.—The following statement has been given out in Berlin in connection with the attack by Russian warships in the Baltic: "During the night of June 13 the German auxiliary cruiser Herzmann was attacked by four Russian destroyers in the fight southeast of Stockholm. After a courageous resistance the vessel was set afire by shells and was blown up by her crew. The commander and most of the crew were saved."

BELGIANS CONTINUE
AFRICAN CONQUEST

Have Now Gained Control of Entire Northwest Section of German East Africa, Says Their Official Report.

Havre, via Paris, June 15.—Substantial progress for the Belgian forces invading German East Africa, giving them control of the entire northwest section of the colony, is claimed in the official statement issued by the Belgian war office to-day.

HENRY H. ROSS
MASONIC MASTER

Burlington Man, After 15 Years as Secretary, Was Elevated to Position, While His Brother, Frank A. Ross, Takes the Other Position.

Burlington, June 15.—At the closing session here to-day of the Masonic grand lodge, Henry H. Ross of Burlington was elected grand master, succeeding C. H. Darling of Burlington. Mr. Ross has been grand secretary for 15 years. Frank A. Ross, brother of the grand master, was elected grand secretary; David A. Elliott of White River Junction, deputy grand master; Edwin O. Wells of Lyndonville, senior deacon; H. S. Harriman of Middlebury, junior deacon; C. W. Whitcomb of Proctorsville, treasurer.

Burlington, June 15.—At the annual meeting of the Masonic Veterans' association last evening the following officers were elected: Austin D. Paige of Lyndonville, venerable chief; H. T. Seaver of Barton, first associate; second associate, W. W. Jones of Windsor; E. L. Wells of Lyndonville, veteran treasurer; George F. Root of Newport, veteran secretary; A. J. Hough of Brownsville, veteran chaplain; F. H. Babbitt of Bellows Falls, veteran marshal; Charles A. Lang of Montpelier, veteran sentinel. The association consists of those who have been Master Masons for 21 years or longer.

Charles H. Heaton has declined to serve as grand treasurer of the grand council and has been succeeded by Frank Adams of Bellows Falls.

Mr. Heaton has served for 30 years, taking the office from Judge Hall. In recognition of long and faithful service the grand council passed a resolution of thanks and donated \$100 to Mr. Heaton.

FOOT BADLY JAMMED.

Leo Gauthier Fell with Ladder as He Was Painting.

While painting on a building in the rear of the old depot hall on State street, Montpelier, Leo Gauthier fell about 10 o'clock this forenoon when the ladder on which he was standing slipped and he broke a bone in his foot. He was taken to the office of Dr. C. E. Chandler, where the fracture was reduced. The foot was badly crushed and it will be several weeks before he will be able to resume work.

The President's Charge.

Washington, June 15.—In a flag day speech here yesterday President Wilson charged that there were some foreign born persons in the United States who are trying to levy a kind of political blackmail on the American political parties in the interest of foreign governments. This, he said, must be stopped.

NOTABLE SCHOOL EXERCISES

Were Held at Vermont State Industrial School.

Vergennes, June 15.—A distinguished company which included Gov. Charles W. Gates of Franklin, Judge J. E. Weeks of Middlebury, chairman of the state penal board, Rev. D. J. O'Sullivan of St. Albans, Representative C. A. Powell of Richford and Supt. N. H. Loukes of the house of correction at Rutland and Mayor C. E. Stebbins were guests yesterday of Supt. and Mrs. J. N. Barrs of the Vermont industrial school at the commencement exercises of the school.

A class of 16 boys and girls who had successfully completed the school course, which for the first time in the history of the school includes first year high school work, were given their diplomas by Judge Weeks. In addition to the students who have completed this course at the industrial school, eight others are students in the sophomore and junior classes of the Vergennes high school and one is a member of the graduating class of the high school. The exercises demonstrated in convincing fashion the great change which has been wrought in the school, changing it from a mere reformatory to a school where boys and girls are educated to become upright men and women.

The gift of complete equipment for the school hospital by Mrs. J. E. Weeks, which has been needed for some time, was announced yesterday.

The entire school, which now numbers 286 boys and girls, attended the graduation exercises, which were preceded by a fine band concert. A long and difficult program of recitations and songs was well rendered by the participants and the exercises were opened with the Lord's prayer and closed by a flag salute by the members of the graduating class and the singing of "America" by the audience.

The dominant note of the entire afternoon's proceedings was the determination of the children to become good American citizens. The class chose as its hero Abraham Lincoln and its motto, "Onward Is Our Aim."

BOARD OF HEALTH ENJOINED.

In Action Brought by an Albany, N. Y., Concern.

Rutland, June 15.—A temporary restraining order was served yesterday on the members of the state board of health, President Charles S. Caverly of Rutland, Henry D. Holton of Brattleboro and Frederick T. Kidder of Woodstock, in an action brought in the United States district court in which state officials will be asked to show cause why they should instruct customers of the Albany Ice Cream company of Albany, N. Y., not to buy ice cream which contains less than 14 per cent of butter fat.

The defendants were served with the original restraining order granted by Judge Harland B. Howe, directing them to show cause why an injunction should not be granted to the plaintiff company, the hearing to be held at Brattleboro June 22.

It is understood the state board of health has set as a standard for butter fat in ice cream not less than 14 per cent, and that samples of the product from the Albany concern did not meet this requirement. This is termed an "alleged standard of milk fat" by the plaintiff in its prayer for an injunction.

The prayer in part asks that all persons acting for the state board be restrained from proceeding against any of the plaintiff's customers or "serving upon" any of its customers verbal or written notices to the effect that ice cream containing less than 14 per cent of milk fat is either illegal or adulterated, or commencing or causing to be commenced any action of proceedings against the customers of the plaintiff or from taking any other steps or actions which will interfere in any way with the business or property of the plaintiff or the sale of the ice cream manufactured by it under or by color of the said alleged standard of milk fat adopted by the defendant.

Dr. Charles F. Dalton of Burlington, secretary of the state board, is not named in the suit. The Albany concern ships vast quantities of their product into a large portion of the west side of Vermont state, especially in Bennington and Rutland counties.

PURE FOOD VIOLATION.

Charged Against Middlebury Man By Federal Government.

Burlington, June 15.—United States Deputy Marshal Thomas Reeves of this city went yesterday to Middlebury where he arrested Charles J. Payment of that town on a government indictment charging violation of the pure food law. Mr. Payment was brought to this city and was taken before Claude D. Gratton, United States commissioner, where he furnished bail in the amount of \$300 for his appearance at the next term of United States court to be held in this city next October. Ira H. Lafleur becoming surety. Mr. Payment was indicted by the grand jury at the February term of United States court. The indictment is brought on the ground that he offered meat for sale which was not fit for consumption.

In Probate Court.

In probate court the will of Onry N. Canton, late of Barre, has been presented for probate. Katherine R. Canton has been appointed guardian for Florence May Canton, a minor.

Clerks' Notice.

Regular meeting of local 341, Friday, 7:15 p. m. Election of officers. Don't forget to register. Per order Rec. Sec.

PUT A CHECK
ON RUSSIANS

Austrians Are Reported to Be Making Stand at Czernowitz

REPULSE ATTACK
EAST OF THE CITY

Germans Claim They Defeated Russians Near Przewloka

Berlin, by wireless, June 15.—The Austrian troops in Bukovina are making a stand north of Czernowitz and are also holding the Russians to the east of the city. The repulse of Russian attacks from both these directions is announced in the official statement from Vienna, issued June 14.

Berlin, by wireless, June 15.—Russian troops in dense formation attacked Teutonic lines near Przewloka but were repulsed, it was announced by the army headquarters to-day.

ITALIANS WON
IN SURPRISE ATTACK

Defeated Austrians East of Monfalcone and Took Several Hundred Prisoners, Besides Seven Machine Guns.

Rome, via London, June 15.—A surprise attack was made yesterday on Austrian positions east of Monfalcone, the official statement to-day announces. The Italians captured the Austrian trenches after severe engagements, taking several hundred prisoners and seven machine guns.

ITALIAN FLEET SHELLS
AUSTRIAN POSITIONS

Ships Bombarding Towns Along Istrian Coast in Vicinity of Parenzo and Trieste.

Rome, June 15.—The Italian fleet is now engaged in a violent bombardment of the Austrian positions on the Istrian coast in the vicinity of Parenzo and Trieste, according to an official announcement yesterday.

The Italian war office yesterday announced the repulse of Austrian attacks on the Posina front, west of Asiago. The statement said:

"On the line of the Posina the enemy, after a violent artillery bombardment, made an attack on the night of June 12 toward Forni, Alta Campagna, Monte Giove and Monte Brazzone, but was repulsed everywhere."

"Yesterday the enemy confined himself to bombarding our positions along the whole front, particularly in the Novogno area, with batteries of all calibers."

FOUND WRECKAGE.

But Could Not Identify It in the Mediterranean.

Boston, June 15.—The White Star liner Canopic arrived to-day from Mediterranean port, reporting her detention four days at Genoa where the port was closed because of an Austrian submarine attack on Porto Farfaro on the island of Corsica. The officers of the ship also told of passing steamer wreckage near Gibraltar but could not identify it.

MEANING OF BIG CO-OPERATIVE
SALE WHICH STARTS SATURDAY

An Invitation for Out-of-Town People to Come to Barre to Shop from Saturday, June 17, to Saturday, June 24, When Railroad and Other Transportation Fares Will Be Refunded and Special Bargains Offered at Nearly Every Store in the City.

On the first page of the special trade week section of to-day's Times there is an error which makes a conflict in dates. The correct date of trade week is June 17 to 24.

With this edition, the merchants of Barre extend formal invitation to all the good people within a radius of 30 to 40 miles of this city to come to Barre to shop during the week of June 17 to June 24—a week set apart during which all out-of-town customers will have their railroad or other transportation fares refunded by the stores listed and according to the schedule appearing in the supplement to to-day's paper.

The people of Barre and those who are accustomed to shop here know that there is no better city or town in the state where greater buying opportunities are offered than right here. However, there are still many people who do not know or realize this. To acquaint such people with the facts enumerated above, The Times arranged for this special fare-refunding sale week.

The Times wants to acquaint more people with the buying power and with the excellence and high standard of Barre stores. The bargains enumerated in the advertising columns of to-day's paper are many and attractive. They invite you to shop. It will be shopping worth while. The merchants have made extensive preparations for this seven-day special sale, which will open Saturday and continue all of next week—thus giving the shopper the benefit of two Saturdays' buying. 'Tis timely, this sale. The summer needs are upon us, and it is just the time to do your summer shopping. Read every advertisement in to-day's paper. You are not getting full value out of your paper unless you read the advertisements.

The merchants have enumerated many of their special inducements. Read them,

PRUNING DEMONSTRATION

Held at the Farm of A. N. Stratton in East Montpelier.

The pruning and spraying demonstration on the farm of A. N. Stratton of East Montpelier was held as advertised yesterday afternoon beginning about 2 o'clock. A total attendance of 37 was registered, including the farmers of the immediate vicinity and a few from surrounding towns, Montpelier and Calais.

A short talk by County Agent Abbott preceded the pruning demonstration. He emphasized the importance of studying the work thoroughly in order to have a clear comprehension of what we want to do before we start in trimming the trees. The single stock and the umbrella or scaffold form of pruning young trees was explained. If the trees are attended to when they are young it will never be necessary to use an instrument for cutting larger than the common pruning shears. Different kinds of shears were explained; also the different kinds of saws to be used.

The gathering then went into the orchard and illustrated on the different trees the proper steps to take in guiding the growth of the tree. The principle of pruning lies in the fact that when we cut off a limb the energy of the tree is thrown into the growing of the lateral buds below where the cut is made, thereby serving to re-establish the equilibrium which naturally exists between the foliage and the root system of the tree.

Three trees of the same kind and of bearing age were selected to carry out the principle of demonstration. Two of these trees were pruned and sprayed; the third was left to its own devices. A meeting next fall will be held to compare the results of this work.

One good specimen of the oyster shell bark louse was found. This disease occurs very infrequently in Washington county. One large tree was pruned to illustrate the possibilities of working over our older orchards. When pruning do not be afraid to do a thorough job. Old trees that contain dead wood will stand severe cutting.

Mr. Stratton sprayed the following formula, which is meant for application as soon as the blossoms fall, to combat the apple scab, codling moth, railroad worm and bud moth: One gallon lime sulphur compound, two and one-half pounds arsenate of lead mixed in 40 gallons of water.

A short talk ensued about the principles of combating insects and fungus pests. These are divided into four classes: bark diseases (oyster shell bark louse, "cankers," etc.), eating insects (sucking insects and the apple scab). Printed spray programs were distributed telling how much and what kind of spray to apply and the time to apply it. The lime sulphur and arsenate of lead seems to be effective on all but the sucking insects. For these we have to use a contact spray, that is, one which will stick to the bodies of the insects and suffocate them. The tobacco formula, one pint black leaf No. 40 to 100 gallons of water does this trick.

DIDN'T HEED WHISTLE.

Their Car Struck by Train Near Fair Haven—They Were Slightly Hurt.

Fair Haven, June 15.—Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Beardsley of Ithaca, N. Y., the former a traveling representative of the Pittsburgh Water Meter company of Pittsburgh, Pa., on their way to Burlington, narrowly escaped being killed yesterday when a Delaware and Hudson railroad train struck their machine at the "Rock Cut," about two miles west of this town. Mr. Beardsley received a number of bruises and Mrs. Beardsley is suffering from the nervous shock. The machine was badly damaged.

The passenger train was traveling at the usual rate of speed and the engineer sounded the whistle several times. It is claimed, but the autoists paid no heed, evidently believing that they could cross the track ahead of the train. The locomotive struck the rear of the automobile and both occupants of the car were thrown out. Mr. and Mrs. Beardsley were brought to Hotel Allen and Dr. Charles Griffin attended them.

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When you do your shopping you know just exactly where you are going and what you are looking for. Shop with care. The merchant who advertises has something to sell and is not afraid to send out his message. When entering a store, ask to see this or that article advertised in The Times, and you will be directed promptly and save much time.

Ask for Refund Slip.

And don't forget to ask at the first store which you visit of those listed to-day for a fare-refund slip. Take the slip with you to the other listed stores and have the clerks enter the amounts of your purchases. Then when you are finished shopping, bring the refund slip to The Times office and get your fare back, according to the schedule appearing on page 1 of to-day's paper.

It is up to you, out-of-town shopper, to appreciate this. It won't cost you anything to come to Barre to shop during this big co-operative sale.

A. P. Abbott Co., Dept. Store.
The Home Fitts Co., Dept. Store.
Union Dry Goods Co.
Union Clothing Co., Clothing.
Rogers' Walk-Over Boot Shop.
Moore & Owens, Clothing and Shoes.
Shea's Shoe Store.
A. W. Badger & Co., Furniture.
People's Shoe Store.
Lamerey Clothing Co.
The N. D. Phelps Co., Hardware.
Mrs. W. F. Shepard, Millinery.
Mrs. Flora Foster, Millinery.
The Vaughan Store, Dry Goods.
B. W. Hooker & Co., Furniture.
Tilden Shoe Co.
Frank McWhorter Co., Clothing.
C. W. Averill & Co., Hardware.
Barre Creamery Co.
Rockwood Studio, Photographs.
Marshall's Cigar Store.
Neume & Wilson, Millinery.
Bertha A. Beattie, Art Goods.
H. A. Gould, Piano.
Barre Savings Bank.

WILSON POLICY
LIKE LINCOLN'S
SAYS JAMES

Permanent Chairman of the Democratic National Convention Praised the President's Act in Keeping the Nation Out of War and Lauded Other Acts of the Democratic Administration

CONVENTION SLOW
ON SECOND DAY

Rules Committee Recommended Unanimously That the Nominations Be Made To-night, Whether or Not Resolutions Were Ready to Be Presented to the Convention

St. Louis, June 15.—The second day of the Democratic national convention was called to order at 11:45, the delegates having been late in arriving. Just before the session was called to order it was announced the rules committee had voted unanimously to recommend that nominations be made to-night at 8 o'clock. The leaders of the convention favor this plan whether or not the resolutions are ready.

Senator Ollie M. James of Kentucky was introduced as the permanent chairman of the convention and he began his speech.

James' Speech.

"During three years of its national convention," said Senator James, "the Democratic party has enacted into law more progressive remedial legislation than the nation has ever had written upon its statute books since its birth. In former national contests in the last two decades our party came as a prophet. To-day we come with deeds, not words; with performance, not promise. The Democratic party has kept its word with the American people. We have made good."

The chairman reviewed at length the legislative record of the administration and eulogized the president for his direction of foreign affairs. The Democratic record, he said, had enacted a tariff law under which monopolies were curbed and unexampled prosperity attained; a banking law taking the money control out of the hands of an oligarchy and making panics no longer possible; and many reform measures of lesser importance.

He declared President Wilson's Mexican policy and his course in protecting American rights against the encroachments of European belligerents had shown all the world that the president "neither bullies the weak nor fears the strong."

In a concluding appeal for the triumph of patriotism above politics, Senator James said the renomination of such a president in partisan convention ought not to be necessary, and that to discredit him might pale the hand that could write the peace treaty of the world.

At the outset the senator referred briefly to President Wilson's campaign against lobbying in Congress and pointed out that under this administration the constitution had been amended for the first time since the Civil war, when "we freed the Senate from the control of the great interests by making it elective by the people at the polls." He then eulogized the Underwood-Simmons tariff act as one of which the party was justly proud.

"Not a schedule in it fosters a monopoly," he said. "Our Republican friends told us it would close the factories, fill the streets with idle men, produce a panic, create soup houses and distress would point to an unexampled prosperity in the nation with labor more generally employed, at higher rates, shorter hours, and better conditions than ever before. Our Republican friends tell us that after the war is over, poor, stricken, prostrate, bleeding Europe will take our home market from us. I have no such fear. America is going to take the markets of the world. But we shall cut from them the last hope of having even a false peace for we shall pass a bill creating a tariff board to gather the facts created by new war conditions."

Turning to the federal reserve law, Senator James declared that it alone averted a panic at the outbreak of the European war.

"What would have been the result if the old Republican system had been in effect," he asked. "The stock exchanges in every city in the world were closed. Europe poured its vast holdings in precious metals upon our shores. Who thinks that the old Republican system of finance under the guidance of those patriotic guardians would have been able to withstand this mighty cataclysm? But what was the result? Not a bank closed its doors not a laborer was thrown out of employment; not a business was forced into bankruptcy; but there stood strong, serving the masses of mankind, this great legislative achievement of the Democratic party. As the master achievement of Woodrow Wilson, to my mind, next to keeping 100,000,000 people at peace with the world, the historian will record the federal reserve law."

Declaring that "self-defense and preparation for it is as necessary now as ever before," the speaker pointed to the administration's preparedness program as a proof that the party believed in "preparedness without militarism."

"It 1914," he continued, "I attended the great peace conference held in London. I thought that the millennium of

VANCE McCORMICK
DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Vance McCormick of Pennsylvania has been selected by President Wilson to succeed William McCombs as chairman of the Democratic national convention.

peace had come and such a thing as the world's war was impossible but that day when the Christian heart shall rule the world is not in sight. We must not mistake dishonor for peace, as we cannot mistake oppression for peace. Woodrow Wilson and the Democratic party advocate an army big enough to make aggressors think the second time before they strike a blow. Democracy wants an army and a navy in keeping with the dignity, preservation and worth of this great republic. We do not want a foot of anybody else's soil, and by the eternal God, they shall not take a foot of ours."

"During this administration we have done more to build up an army and navy in 40 years of its existence. More has been done to give the American people a navy and army in three months than Colonel Roosevelt and Mr. Taft did in 11 years."

Senator James spoke of the Republican platform declaration for "a continuous policy of national defense," declaring that only two propositions for a continuous policy ever had been made in American history, one by the general board of the navy in 1903, which was pigeon-holed by a Republican secretary of the navy, and the other by President Wilson in his address to Congress last December.

SUFFRAGISTS ALARMED.

Fear that They May Fail to Get Plank in Democratic Platform.

St. Louis, June 15.—Suffragists who are fighting for an equal rights plank in the Democratic platform regard the resolutions subcommittee appointed last night as none too favorable. Only three members, including Senator Hollis of New Hampshire, are outspoken for suffrage, while four are against it and the other two are believed to hold the administration's view, which is for endorsement but not a constitutional amendment.

BARRE MAN A WINNER.

D. M. Barclay Got Two Trophies at Trap Shooting Tournament.

The Interstate association state championship event, part of the program of the two days' tournament of the Vermont State Trapshooting association held at Curtis park Tuesday and Wednesday, was won by Douglas M. Barclay of Barre with a score of 94 out of 100 chances. Barclay also captured the handicap prize for amateurs, a silver trophy donated by the Montpelier Board of Trade, making a score of 184 out of 200 birds.

The Montpelier Gun club carried off practically all the honors, for Dr. C. H. Burr won in the events in which Barclay failed to come through in first place. Dr. Burr was high general average for the two days, making a score of 372 of 400 and was second to his teammate in the interstate event, hanging up a score of 80. His record on the first day of 190 of 200 was not touched, even by any of the five professionals.

G. M. Wheeler of Brunswick, Me., a professional, was second in general average with 364, D. M. Barclay third with 360, Harry Moulton of Montpelier fourth with 359 and F. E. Adams of Barre fifth with 355. Forty-four amateurs and professionals started in the events, the scores hung up in yesterday's shoot being much poorer than on the first day.

EVANS—PERCIVAL.

Sharon Woman the Bride of Portland, Me., Man in Barre.

David Stanley Evans, secretary of the railroad Y. M. C. A. in Portland, Me., and Miss Harriet M. Percival of Sharon were married at the Methodist parsonage on French street yesterday by Rev. B. G. Lipsky. The bride has been passing several weeks at her grandmother's home in Sharon. Yesterday, in company with her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Morey, her aunt, Miss Nellie Morey, and Dr. Evert J. Stone of Sharon, she motored to Barre and met Mr. Evans. They went at once to the parsonage and were pronounced man and wife by Pastor Lipsky.

After a trip to Boston Mr. and Mrs. Evans will pass a few weeks in the Maine woods, after which the groom will resume his duties in Portland, where the couple are to make their home. Mr. Evans was an intimate acquaintance of Rev. Mr. Lipsky during the latter's pastorate in Auburn, Me.

MARSH—STANTON.

Barre Young Man Takes West Enosburg Girl as Bride.

Stanley E. Marsh, son of Mrs. A. W. Allen of Barre, and Miss Evelyn A. Stanton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stanton of West Enosburg, were married at the home of the bride's parents Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Douglas performing the ceremony. Miss Mary Allen of Barre played the wedding march and the ceremony was witnessed by intimate friends and relatives of the bride and groom. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Marsh are to reside at Sunnyside farm, where the groom is associated with his mother in business. They will be at home after July 1.

QUINCY FIRM SUES.

A. McIntosh & Co. Start Action Against R. C. Bowers Granite Co.

A. McIntosh & Co., granite manufacturers of Quincy, Mass., have brought suit in Washington county court through Attorney Fred L. Laird against the R. C. Bowers Granite company of Montpelier for \$400. The plaintiffs seek to recover for one monument and six markers, valued at \$257.

Marconi's New Wonder.

London, June 15.—Announcement was made yesterday that William Marconi will bring out shortly a new device which should put an end to danger of collisions between ships in darkness or fog. It is described as a simple electrically installed, which will be operated from the bridge of the ship.

AMERICANS
DEAD IN BATTLE

Two Killed, Seven Wounded, in Engagement with Mexicans

SIX MEXICANS
REPORTED KILLED

Their Wounded at San Ignacio Probably Carried Away

San Antonio, Tex., June 15.—Two American soldiers were killed early this morning at San Ignacio. It is reported to Gen. Funston, and six Mexicans in an engagement which began at 2 o'clock. It is believed that several Mexicans were wounded but were carried away. Seven Americans were wounded.

The water-soaked clothing of the dead Mexicans indicated that they had crossed the river from Mexico. Major Gray began the pursuit, and it is believed that he has already followed or would chase the bandits into Mexico.

FOUGHT ON U. S. SOIL.

Americans Outnumbered the Mexicans, 140 to 100 Men.

Laredo, Texas, June 15.—The San Ignacio fight took place on the American side and Troops I and M of the Fourteenth cavalry under Major Gray were engaged. The Americans numbered 140 and the bandits about 100, of whom six are said to have been killed and several wounded.

COLONEL LUJAN,
BANDIT, CAPTURED

Was One of Villa's Most Prominent Chieftains, and Was Engaged in the Columbus Raid.

Field Headquarters, via radio to Columbus, N. M., June 15.—Colonel Pedro Lujan, a prominent Villa chieftain, was captured yesterday by Captain Turner of Troop M, Thirteenth cavalry, at Hacienda Tepalcates. Lujan was one of the leaders of the Columbus raid, and his capture nearly completes the extermination of the Villa leaders in the border raids.

U. S. REPLY TO CARRANZA.

Was Submitted to President Wilson by Lansing.

Washington, D. C., June 15.—Secretary Lansing laid before President Wilson to-day a complete draft of the note to Carranza replying to the demands that American troops be withdrawn from Mexico. President Wilson and Secretary Lansing conferred at length on the situation.

Unless some new development forces the situation, the reply will not be sent until next week at the earliest. The president and his advisers are anxious to deal with the Carranza note in such fashion that the action cannot be attributed to domestic politics. As prepared by Secretary Lansing, the note is understood flatly to decline to withdraw American troops from Mexico until the de facto government has shown its willingness and ability to police the border states. It also is said to make a sharp rejoinder to suggestions in the Mexican communication which the officials regard as discouraging and his advisers are anxious to deal with the Carranza note in such fashion that the action cannot be attributed to domestic politics.

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It is understood that the declaration will plainly inform Carranza that his request for a new statement regarding the United States' intentions is wholly unnecessary in view of the consistency of all previous utterances and actions by the president. It will be pointed out that a friendly spirit has constantly been manifested toward Mexico, and that the failure of Mexicans and Americans to cooperate for the extermination of the bandits is due to the hostility and suspicion exhibited by the Mexicans.

40 WERE GRADUATED

From Montpelier High School, It Being the 103d Class.

Graduation exercises of Montpelier high school were held last evening in the Montpelier city hall auditorium, 46 members of the 103d class to be graduated from the Washington county grammar school being handed their diplomas by Principal Edward S. Abbott, who also covers his connection with the school this year to go to Rutland high school. The first scholarship honors were awarded to Miss Elvora Reed Blanchard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Blanchard, who is entitled to a University of Vermont scholarship; second honor to Flora Maroni and a Vermont scholarship to Henry Edwards Perrin.

The procession of the seniors was followed by the invocation by Rev. F. B. Barry, pastor of the First church. The following is the program which was admirably rendered: Salutatory, Miss Flora Maroni; music, "Merry June," high school chorus; oration, "Shakespeare and the Drama," William Henry Farwell; declamation, "A New England Prophet," Mortimer Collins Pierce; essay, "The Green Mountain State," Hazel Gertrude Ryle; music, "Soldiers' Chorus" from "Faust," high school chorus; declamation, "The Last Supper," Charles Edward Putnam; recitation, "The Famine," from "Hiawatha," Grace Edna Ellis; oration, "Education and the Farm," Henry Edwards Perrin; valedictory, Elvora Reed Blanchard;